UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : INFORMATION

- v. - : 21 Cr.

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ERICK DANIEL RODRIGUEZ,

:

Defendant.

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COUNT ONE
(Wire Fraud)

The Grand Jury charges:

1. From at least in or about February 2019 up to and including at least in or about June 2021, in the Southern
District of New York and elsewhere, ERICK DANIEL RODRIGUEZ, the defendant, willfully and knowingly, having devised and intending to devise a scheme and artifice to defraud, and for obtaining money and property by means of false and fraudulent pretenses, representations, and promises, did transmit and cause to be transmitted by means of wire, radio, and television communication in interstate and foreign commerce, writings, signs, signals, pictures, and sounds, for the purpose of executing such scheme and artifice, to wit, RODRIGUEZ induced victims located in multiple states to transfer funds to accounts he controlled, based on false representations, including that RODRIGUEZ would invest the funds for the victims' benefit and

had generated significant profits from the investments, and made those false representations by phone and through text messages and emails.

(Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1343 and 2.)

FORFEITURE ALLEGATION

2. As a result of committing the offense alleged in Count One of this Information, ERICK DANIEL RODRIGUEZ, the defendant, shall forfeit to the United States, pursuant to Title 18, United States Code, Section 981(a)(1)(C) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), any and all property, real and personal, that constitutes or is derived from proceeds traceable to the commission of said offense, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of said offense.

Substitute Asset Provision

- 3. If any of the above-described forfeitable property, as a result of any act or omission of the defendant:
- a. cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence;
- b. has been transferred or sold to, or deposited
 with, a third party;
- c. has been placed beyond the jurisdiction of the court;
 - d. has been substantially diminished in value; or

e. has been commingled with other property which cannot be divided without difficulty; it is the intent of the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p) and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461(c), to seek forfeiture of any other property of the defendant up to the value of the forfeitable property described above.

(Title 18, United States Code, Section 981; Title 21, United States Code, Section 853; and Title 28, United States Code, Section 2461.)

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